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Chair Gonzales Sworn Into Third Term

SAN BERNARDINO – Chair Gonzales was sworn into her third consecutive term of office as San Bernardino County 5th District Supervisor Monday afternoon. Long-time friend and fellow community leader Fontana Mayor Acquanetta Warren delivered the oath.

"I am blessed to be trusted with the good stewardship of this great county, and it is a responsibility that is not to be taken lightly ... I am aware I hold this office as an honor bestowed on me by the people not only of the 5th District, but of all San Bernardino County," said Chair Gonzales in addressing those attending the ceremony.

The Chair takes office alongside two new supervisors, Robert Lovingood and James Ramos, elected to the 1^{st} and 3^{rd} Districts respectively.

During the ceremony, the Chair commented on the new board, "I have every faith and can tell you that we now have a board that can communicate, that can discuss, disagree, and can arrive at a consensus by which thought has been processed, and opinions have been shared, and that the conclusion will be the benefit to the people."

During her eight years in office as a county supervisor, Chair Gonzales passed sweeping ethics reform for board members and staff to increase transparency and encourage collaboration. This coming spring, Muscoy will see the grand opening of their first capital improvement investment known as the Baker Family Learning Center. The center will serve as a library and facilitate a preschool while providing access to computers, programs, and classes to the public.

In closing, the Chair shared a rallying sentiment, "I know that you trust me and I will tell you with that trust you have in me, this is with God's grace the first time since I have been an elected official, that I can tell you we have a damn good elected county board!"

This begins the Chair's second term under the term limits currently imposed. She took her first Oath of Office in 2004 before Measure P was passed, a 2006 voter-approved initiative that permits San Bernardino County supervisors to serve a maximum of three terms.